



Atty. Docket No. S-8450 (1502-71CIP)

**THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

APPLICANT(S): Ferguson et al.

EXAMINER: C.S. Williams

SERIAL NO.: 09/892,593

GROUP: Art Unit 3763

FILED: June 27, 2001

DATED: August 21, 2006

FOR: **SAFETY SHIELD FOR MEDICAL NEEDLES**

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

**AMENDMENT TRANSMITTAL FORM**

Sir:

Transmitted herewith is an amendment in the above-identified application.

- ☐ Small entity status of this application under 37 C.F.R. §1.9 and 1.27 has been established by a verified statement previously submitted.
- ☐ A verified statement to establish small entity under 37 C.F.R. §1.9 and 1.27 is enclosed.
- ☒ No additional fee is required.

For	Claims Remaining After Amendment	Highest No. Previously Paid For	Present Extra	Rate (Small Entity)	Addit. Fee	Rate	Addit. Fee
TOTAL CLAIMS*	29	93	0	x 25 =	\$0	x 50 =	\$0
INDEPENDENT CLAIMS	4	5	0	X 100 =	\$0	x 200 =	\$0
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**AMENDMENT UNDER 35 U.S.C. §1.312**

Sir:

Prior to issuance of this application, please amend the claims as follows:

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 5 of this paper.

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